



Tyrrells Wood Golf Club

Local Rules

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1. Out of Bounds

- a. A ball is out of bounds when it is beyond any fence or white post which defines the boundary of the course.
- b. The clubhouse, terrace, car park, short game area and practice putting green are out of bounds.

2. Aeration Holes

If a player's ball lies in or touches an aeration hole:

(a) Ball in General Area. The player may take free relief under Rule 16.1b. If the ball comes to rest in another aeration hole the player may take free relief again under this Local Rule.

(b) Ball on Putting Green. The player may take free relief under Rule 16.1d.

But interference does not exist if the aeration hole only interferes with the player's stance or, on the putting green, on the player's line of play.

3. No play zones - protection of young trees and ground under repair

Young trees identified by stakes or are bound are no play zones. If a player's ball lies anywhere on the course other than in a penalty area and it lies on or touches such a tree or such a tree interferes with the player's stance or area of intended swing, the player must take relief under Rule 16.1f.

Areas on the course marked as ground under repair by either a sign and/or appropriate line marking indicated by the green keeping team are to be treated as abnormal course conditions which are no play zones: Free relief **must** be taken from interference by the ground under repair area as a no play zone under Rule 16.1f.

4. Fixed sprinkler heads – immovable obstructions close to the putting green

Relief from interference by fixed sprinkler heads may be taken under Rule 16.1. The player may take relief under Rule 16.1b if an immovable obstruction is: On the line of play, and is: within two club-lengths of the putting green, and within two club-lengths of the ball. There is no relief under this Local Rule if the player chooses a line of play that is clearly unreasonable.

5. All Roads and Paths

All roads and paths on the course, even if not artificially-surfaced, are treated as immovable obstructions from which free relief is allowed under Rule 16.1.

Penalties for breach of local rules:

Match play – loss of hole

Stroke play – general penalty (2 strokes)

Temporary Local Rules

Covid 19 (Coronavirus) Pandemic

Score Cards:

Rule 3.3b is amended thus:

- Players may enter their own scores on the scorecard (it is not necessary for a marker to do it)
- It is not necessary to have a marker physically certify the player's scores, but some form of verbal certification should take place

Returning Cards to the Pro Shop:

- Scorecards must be placed in the new competition box positioned on the outside wall of the Pro Shop (next to the push trolleys).

Bunkers:

When a player's ball lies in a bunker the player may take free relief by placing the original ball or using another ball and playing it from this relief area. Once the ball has been placed it cannot be replaced as it is now deemed to be in play:

- Reference Point: Spot of the original ball.
- Size of Relief Area Measured from Reference Point: 6 inches from the reference point, but with these limits:
- Must not be nearer the hole than the reference point and must remain in the bunker.

In proceeding under this Local Rule, the player must choose a spot to place the ball and use the procedures for replacing a ball under Rules 14.2b(2) and 14.2e.

The area where the ball is to be placed must not be smoothed before placing.

If a player fails to get out of the bunker then they are entitled to free relief again, provided the ball is in a poor lie due to the bunker not being raked.

Flagstick:

Golfers *must* always leave the flagstick in the hole and *not* touch it deliberately.

Ball Holed:

The ball is considered "holed" if any part of it is below the surface of the putting green. If the ball deflects out of the hole due to the wires on our ball retriever on the flagstick the ball is not holed.

Immovable Obstructions (Rule 16):

Stakes that define either an area of the course (such as penalty areas) or distances (such as distance markers) are Immovable Obstructions and as such must not be removed.

Penalty for breach of Temporary Local Rule: General Penalty

Note:

Smoothing of bunkers with feet or a club is permitted under Rule 12.2b(2)

During Winter Rules

1. You can now lift, clean & place your golf ball that rests on a closely mown area of the golf course.
2. ALL men's general play is from the YELLOW TEES only.
3. Whilst playing casual golf please do not attend the flag whilst putting.